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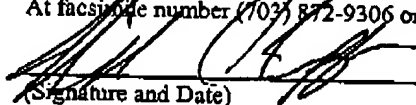
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Dear Sir:

In response to the outstanding office action dated March 18, 2003 and due for response on June 18, 2003, and in accordance with Rule 111 of the Rules of Practice, please amend the above-identified Application as follows. Applicants submit herewith a petition for a three (3) month extension of time to and including September 22, 2003 to reply since the United States Patent and Trademark Office was closed September 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup>, 2003, and September 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> were a Saturday and Sunday, respectively.